

## HELP BASED ON INCOME

### **Clark County Volunteer Lawyers Program**

Get free help from an attorney for civil legal problems in Clark County. They help low-income people with a range of legal issues.

Call 360.695.5313 to see if you qualify.

[www.ccvlp.org](http://www.ccvlp.org)

Their Housing Justice Project assists tenants.

Call 360.334.4007.

### **Northwest Justice Project (NJP)**

NJP has a statewide intake and screening service (CLEAR), with some legal advice over the phone. Learn more and apply online at <https://nwjustice.org/get-legal-help> or call 360.693.6130 or 1.888.201.1014

Visit the Vancouver office Monday – Friday from 9:00 a.m. - 4:30 p.m. to see if you qualify for their free legal services.

500 W 8th Street, Suite 275, Vancouver

Tenants who are facing eviction can get help. Apply online at <https://nwjustice.org/eviction-help> or call 1.888.651.8387.

The *Foreclosure Prevention Unit* offers free legal advice, including information about the Foreclosure Fairness Act's mediation program, for eligible homeowners with income up to 400% of the federal poverty level. Call the Foreclosure Line 1.800.606.4819

### **Washington LawHelp**

Use the directory to find legal aid offices. [www.washingtonlawhelp.org/find-legal-help/directory](http://www.washingtonlawhelp.org/find-legal-help/directory)

### **Washington State Bar Association Moderate Means Program**

This program accepts people whose income is 200-400% of the federal poverty guidelines. They only address consumer, family, unemployment benefits, and housing issues. Clients pay a reduced fee, and retainer amounts are set by the attorney.

Complete an online application at:

[www.moderatemeanswa.org](http://www.moderatemeanswa.org) (preferred) or call 1.855.741.6930.



## HELP FOR SENIORS

### **Northwest Justice Project (NJP)**

NJP has a statewide intake and screening service (CLEAR), with some legal advice over the phone for seniors 60+. Learn more and apply online at <https://nwjustice.org/apply-online> or call 1.888.387.7111.

Visit the Vancouver office Monday – Friday from 9:00 a.m. - 4:30 p.m. to see if you qualify for their free legal services.

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## HELP FOR ALL

### **Southwest Washington Lawyer Referral**

(sponsored by the Clark County Bar Association)

Get a referral to a local attorney in the appropriate legal specialty who will consult with you for a reduced fee. Work after that is at the regular rate.

Call 360.695.0599 or email

[LRS@ccbawashington.org](mailto:LRS@ccbawashington.org)

[www.ccbawashington.org/community-resources/southwest-washington-lawyer-referral](http://www.ccbawashington.org/community-resources/southwest-washington-lawyer-referral)

### **Washington State Bar Association (WSBA)**

Use the *Legal Directory* link to search by city or zip code for attorneys that practice in a specific area of law. Use the "Advanced Search" option and set the License Status field to "Active."

[www.wsba.org](http://www.wsba.org)

### **Clark County Bar Association (CCBA)**

The *Find a Lawyer* button allows you to search by zip code and mile radius for attorneys practicing in a particular area of the law.

[www.ccbawashington.org](http://www.ccbawashington.org)

### **Virtual Legal Clinic**

Meet with an attorney for a free 20-minute virtual appointment on Thursdays from 5:00 - 7:00 p.m.

<https://lawchat.navigatelawgroup.com>

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### Family Law Clinic

(COVID-19 notice - monthly clinics are currently canceled)

Meet for free with an attorney to discuss family law issues on the first Tuesday of each month from 5:30 - 7:30 p.m. at the Clark County Courthouse, 1200 Franklin Street, Vancouver



## HELP WORKING WITH A LAWYER

### FindLaw.com, *Guide to Hiring a Lawyer*

Get help determining if and when you may want to hire a lawyer, and choosing the right lawyer for your situation.

[hirealawyer.findlaw.com](http://hirealawyer.findlaw.com)

### Legal Voice, *Working with a Lawyer*

Learn how to work with a lawyer who is in private practice.

[www.legalvoice.org/working-with-a-lawyer](http://www.legalvoice.org/working-with-a-lawyer)

### Nolo.com, *Attorneys' Fees: The Basics*

How to understand lawyer fees when seeking legal advice from an attorney.

[www.nolo.com/legal-encyclopedia/attorneys-fees-basics-30196.html](http://www.nolo.com/legal-encyclopedia/attorneys-fees-basics-30196.html)

### Washington State Court Rules

See the *Rules of Professional Conduct (RPC)* that Washington lawyers must follow.

[www.courts.wa.gov/court\\_rules/?fa=court\\_rules.list&group=ga&set=RPC](http://www.courts.wa.gov/court_rules/?fa=court_rules.list&group=ga&set=RPC)

### CLARK COUNTY LAW LIBRARY

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1200 Franklin Street  
Vancouver, WA 98660  
564.397.2268  
[lawlibrary@clark.wa.gov](mailto:lawlibrary@clark.wa.gov)  
[www.clark.wa.gov/law-library](http://www.clark.wa.gov/law-library)

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# LEGAL HELP FOR CIVIL CASES



Lawyers can:

- Answer legal questions;
- Offer legal advice;
- Explain legal situations;
- Advise you on what you should and should not do;
- Advise you on what the laws mean for your situation;
- Prepare documents for your case;
- Advocate for you.